CAPISTRANO BAY DISTRICT AGENDA REPORT March 31, 2009

Manager's Reports

ITEM I.1

Update on RR Parking Development Project at Entrance – Phase I

Staff held a site meeting on March 25 with the engineer, Tom Tice, the landscape designer, Lance Walker and the architectural consultant, Dave Gutierrez. This meeting was to bring the three consultants together and coordinate the progress of Phase I.

In 2 weeks the finalized engineering grading plans will be submitted to Metrolink for review and approval. Since the project has already been substantially reviewed by Metro link, this final procedure is expected to be much less time-consuming. Staff had thought the project might go out to bid in about 2 weeks but bidding has to wait for final landscape details to be attached and that is about 4 weeks out.

It is inevitable that the project will get underway during our summer high season but keep in mind that this entire portion of the project is over on the railroad property totally out of the way of passing traffic. There will be the occasional brief traffic stop while a big truck maneuvers around but this portion of the work will be nothing like the interruptions caused by the road construction project in 2003.

Progress on the Second Entry Lane Project – Phase II

Engineering grading plans are currently being revised to submit to the county for the proposed exchange of easements. A successful exchange of easements between the District and the County of Orange could mean a much more coordinated and safe movement of pedestrian and cycle traffic moving through the intersection at the Beach Road entrance driveway. This step of the work will continue concurrent with the progress of Phase I. Keep in mind Phase II cannot be done until the RR parking has been developed and the District's office structure moved out of the way for the new proposed community exit lane.